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## TAKES CENTER VIEW OF THINGS

"Tennessean" Tells of Moving to the Land of the Big Red Chigger, and Pays 10c for Privilege of Smelling at Bacon.

Editor News:

It has been a long time since my last letter, written about the 3rd of June, telling about how we celebrated our wedding anniversaries and our birthdays. We were then living in Texas, but now we are living in Missouri, the "Land of the Big Red Apple, and the little red chigger. The apples just now are not very much in evidence, but of the chigger there is evidence plenty and to spare. From our home in Texas to our domicile in Missouri is a long distance, but we made the journey in about 24 hours on one of Uncle Sam's trains. I like Uncle Sam very much, although there are some of his children who seem to have fallen out with him because of the change of time and his part in the League of Nations. The clocks being moved up does not interfere with me in my business. I have always followed Franklin's suggestion of "Early to bed and early to rise", and altho' I am not yet wealthy, I am at least some wise.

Moving is a lot of trouble, some worry and in this 20th century, much expense. This is an age of expense. Some time ago I went into a grocery store and picked up a piece of breakfast bacon, smelled it and asked the price of it, and the merchant told me it was ten cents a smell. I had the money and handed over the price of the bacon that I had already taken.

When we got ready to move my wife and our two daughters helped pack things for about a week, and make a visit out in New Mexico and so they left me to load things into the car and come on to Missouri. I arrived in Centerville June 20th and our goods came a week later. Ten days later, when I had everything unpacked and set up ready for housekeeping, then came

along the women folks all smiles to enter into the enjoyment of things that the old man had arranged. It is a great blessing for a woman to have a good, provident husband—one who wears the breeches, and manages things so that the wife has as little work to do as possible. I sometimes felicitate myself upon being such a husband.

Just now we are having some warm dry, weather, and they say here that if it does not rain soon it will be drier than it is now. I guess it will.

That was funny about "Lone Star" stall-feeding a chicken for the folks when they came, to find when they came that they were stall-feed on chicken and would not eat. No, you never catch me starving myself and saving something good for people that are out visiting and eating the best the land affords. If I had been "Lone Star" that chicken would have been fried and my part of it eaten before those folks got home. When they came I would have directed them to where they could find the choice pieces of chicken, legs, feet, neck, etc.

We are having fine eating these days, apple sauce, roasting ears, butter beans, and other things too numerous to mention.

I see where Rev. George Shelton has been in the valley. George has made good. He once had a good teacher when he went to school to "Tennessean" in 1887. When you send your children to school look well to the character and ability of the teacher.

"Tennessean."  
Centerville, Mo.

T. L. Forrester, Jasper, who is a valued employe on Marion County Road work, orders the News continued to him one year, as he likes to read it.

## NOTICE

To Owners of Automobiles, to Lumber Haulers and All Parties Hauling for Hire:

Taxes are now delinquent as now provided by Cameron law and should be paid. Unless settled by Sept. 1, 1919, the Marion County Road Commission will be forced to issue distress warrants. To save costs, apply immediately to Trustee for receipt and number plate for automobile or wagon.

Respectfully,

MARION CO. ROAD COMMISSION  
Jasper, Tenn., Aug. 5, 1919.

## Pershing Wants Pledges Paid So Welfare Work Will Go On With Army "To the End."

Washington, D. C.—Raymond B. Fosdick, chairman of the Commission on Training Camp Activities, has made public a letter which he has received from General John J. Pershing, showing the vital importance of continuing the welfare work with the army until the end. Those who have not paid their United War Work Campaign subscriptions will come in for much criticism if they do not do so during "Speed-Up" Week, July 28th to August 4th.

Cleveland H. Dodge, national treasurer of the United War Work agencies, stated on July 15th that he had only enough funds on hand to run the seven organizations until August 1st. Therefore, unless every outstanding subscription is paid during "Speed-Up" Week, it will be necessary doubtless to cut down the work of the agencies which now means so much to our soldiers still in uniform.

Gen. Pershing's letter in full reads:

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES  
Office of the Commander-in-Chief

France, May 3, 1919.

Mr. Raymond B. Fosdick, Chairman, Commission on Training Camp Activities, War Department, Washington, D. C.  
My Dear Mr. Fosdick:

On the welfare societies that joined in the united campaign for funds at home in the fall of 1918, all, with the exception of the War Camp Community Service\* are continuing their helpful work with the American Expeditionary Forces.

This work is of the utmost value to the troops and is thoroughly appreciated by officers and men. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to testify at this time to the value of their services. I sincerely hope that the amounts so generously subscribed during the last campaign for funds will be paid in so that the work of these societies with the Army in France may be continued to the end.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN J. PERSHING.

NOTE—The War Camp Community Service has, from the outset, concentrated its efforts in encampment cities in this country.

## BASEBALL ASPIRATIONS

Whitwell Building Up Great Ball Team, Financed by T. C. I.

Whitwell, Aug. 5. The T. C. I. & R. R. Co., under the direction of W. A. Meagher, the superintendent, who is also manager of the ball team, is building up a fine ball team, which will make out-side teams sit up and think. Harwood, who had a try-out on the Southern League, is with them, also Smith, another ex-leaguer. Hutchinson, a famous pitcher on the Pikeville team a few years ago, is on the pitching staff with Harwood. The outfield is a pretty good aggregation of fly-catchers, while the infield is rounding into good shape but is entirely new. The company has appropriated \$750 for the maintenance of the team, and it is equipped with new uniforms, costing \$16 per suit. The grounds have been put in fair condition and other improvements are in contemplation. Additional seating capacity has also been put in, and the backstop has been rebuilt. The Walker spring near the diamond where the players have been in the habit of resorting to get water, has been condemned after analysis of the water, and a pipe line now conveys water to near the diamond. Analysis of the water in question made at Birmingham showed typhoid germs and other dangerous bacteria therein, and Capt. Meagher, who has the success of the team at heart, has issued orders that the players abstain from the use of that water.

## VISITING IN JACKSBORO

On Return Will Be Accompanied by Mrs. L. C. Miller as Guest.

Jasper, Aug. 6.—Mrs. W. R. Irish, wife of Dr. W. R. Irish of Jasper, and daughter, Edith, are visiting in Jacksboro, Tenn., and will be there for the next two weeks. They were accompanied by Mrs. Irish's sister, Miss Ruth Bowman, who has been making her home with the family. On her return Mrs. Irish will be accompanied by Mrs. L. C. Miller, of Jacksboro, who will be her guest for three weeks.

## MAN-HOIST

T. C. I. & R. R. Co. Installing System to Haul Miners Up Incline to Work.

Whitwell, Aug. 5.—The T. C. I. & R. R. Co. is installing a man-hoist at Whitwell to convey the miners up the incline to work. It will comprise four passenger cars, two of which will be attached to each end of a wire cable capable of withstanding a tension of 150 tons, and thirty will be hauled in each car or sixty at a trip. The seats will be slung so as to remain horizontal while ascending. No coal trips will be run at the same time. It now takes 45 minutes hard climbing for a miner to reach the mines from the valley below, and it is very hard on the men to climb the mountain in order to get to their work. It will be completed in about 30 days and will be greatly appreciated by the employes.

## KNOXVILLE DENTIST

Visiting Relatives in Sequatchie Valley With Family.

Jasper, Aug. 6.—Dr. N. A. Williamson and family are the guests of relatives in Jasper and Sequatchie this week. Dr. Williamson is a leading dentist of Knoxville, Tenn., while Mrs. Williamson is a sister of Mrs. L. P. Brewer, wife of Judge Brewer, of this place, and they, accompanied by Mrs. W. R. Thomas, of Sequatchie, left this morning en automobile to meet Dr. Williamson and family en route, who were also coming thru in their car, expecting to meet them at Dayton.

## PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS

Of Sequatchie Valley Will Meet at Stevenson, Aug. 8-9-10.

Stevenson, Ala., Aug. 4.—The Sequatchie Valley Association of Primitive Baptists will convene at Stevenson, Ala., Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 8-9-10.

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## VISITING IN MARION

Prominent Dentist of Murfreesboro Guest of Brother-in-Law, S. T. Simpson.

Jasper, Aug. 6.—Dr. E. M. Hicks, of Murfreesboro, is the guest of his brother-in-law, Sam T. Simpson, of Jasper. He is by profession a dentist and holds a top notch position in the profession, enjoying a large practice. He was born in Sequatchie Valley near Hick's Chapel, this county, the chapel there being named after the family, and every two years comes over to take a vacation on his old stamping ground so well remembered when a boy. He is a proficient with rod and line and in company with members of the Simpson family, delightful outings are had.

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## GREAT RECORD

One and a Half Million Tons of Coal Mined at Whitwell With Loss of Only One Life.

Whitwell, Aug. 5.—A million and a half tons of coal have been mined at Whitwell with the loss of only one life connected with handling of this big amount of coal. This is a pretty nice record and is due to the careful methods now used in the mining of coal. Close regulations are now observed, and, as Capt. W. A. Meagher, the superintendent, remarked, they may seem hard, and at times difficult to follow, but, as far as he was concerned, he always felt better when the day's work was over and every miner back safe with his family, and that very probably it was these very regulations that made this possible. Very few accidents are happening now, and the only loss of life in the past year was that of a boy, a non-employee, who was walking on motor tracks and was run over. This is a good record.

## ICE PLANT BROKE DOWN

So. Pittsburg Experiencing a Famine for Ice in Consequence.

Machinery at the South Pittsburg ice plant broke down the first of last week, and So. Pittsburg and the valley have been experiencing an ice famine in consequence. A carload of ice from Chattanooga Friday was expected to help relieve the situation. There is room for another plant in the valley and one should be established to use the pure water of the Blowing Spring here.

## Death of Infant.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Pittman, residing five miles east of here, died Sunday.

L. L. Lasater is in poor health. He is afflicted with a stomach trouble.